

Identity Theft Passports

An Identity Theft Passport provides victims of identity theft with one more way to substantiate the crime of identity theft to law enforcement and creditors.

Victims may present the Identity Theft Passport to law enforcement agencies to help prevent their arrest for offenses committed by a person who stole their identity, and to creditors to aid in the investigation of fraudulent charges on their accounts.

Victims may apply for an Identity Theft Passport through the investigating law enforcement agency that took the report of ID theft.

Victim Services Support

The Victim Services Support Program (VSS) provides partial funding and technical assistance to community-based, system-based, and statewide victim service programs throughout Iowa. The VSS funds consist of federal and state funds as well as funds from criminal fines and penalties. Funded victim service programs provide free and confidential services to persons who are victims of crime.

Crime Victim Assistance Division



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Click "Assisting Crime Victims" and follow the
links.*

*Information and Resources
for Victims of Crime*

Crime Victim Justice Isn't Served Until Crime Victims Are *Assistance Division*

The Crime Victim

Assistance Division's mission is to advocate for the rights and needs of crime victims and ensure that all crime victims will be treated with dignity and respect. In this brochure you will find information on the programs offered by the Division.

Crime Victim Compensation

Pays for certain expenses related to injuries from violent crime and is funded entirely by fines and penalties paid by criminals, not taxpayers.

The program pays for eligible victim's out-of-pocket expenses such as medical care, counseling, lost wages, and funeral expenses. The program can also pay for crime-scene clean-up, replacement of clothing held as evidence, replacement of security items, child or dependent care, emergency relocation, housing assistance and travel/lodging.

The application process is simple. Applications are accepted by telephone or through the mail. The Crime Victim Compensation Program cannot erase the painful memories of a crime, but hopefully it can help a crime victim's recovery and ease the financial burden caused by the crime.

Sexual Assault Examination

Pays for the cost of evidentiary examinations in sexual assault crimes, regardless of whether the crime is reported to law enforcement. The purpose of the program is to ensure the health of the victim and to collect evidence for future investigation and prosecution.



IowaVINE: Victim Information and Notification Everyday

Established in 2006, IowaVINE provides access to timely and reliable information on the custody status of an offender. Victims of crime and the public can receive information on the custody status of an incarcerated offender 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by calling 888-7-IAVINE or by visiting www.vinelink.com.

Victims may also register by telephone or online to receive automated notifications upon change in offender custody status. Victims may receive English or Spanish notifications via telephone, email, or text message when an offender is transferred, released, escapes, or dies.

IPONDA: Iowa Protective Order for Domestic Abuse Program

IPONDA is an automated information and notification program that provides automatic notifications via telephone or email to registered individuals upon service and prior to expiration of a protective order. Victims can receive information on the service status of a protective order 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by calling 888-7-IAVINE or by visiting www.registervpo.com.

Victims may also register by telephone or online to receive automated notifications in English or Spanish via telephone or email upon service of a protective order and prior to protective order expiration.



"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.